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From Their Royal Majesties

until 05/11/02

Good Lord and Ladies of the honorable Outlands, We send greetings and well wishes to one and all.

We have gone through many fortunes through the past several months, none of which would have come to be with out the hard work of so many people, giving so much of their time. Many months back, we all went through some changes in our outlook upon our world; but one thing never changed — the honor and respect that we have for each other and those around us. This Kingdom has shown the rest of the Knowne World that we stand tall with pride. In this, We give Our heartfelt thanks to you.

Our paths will now change as We have found Our Heirs to the Stag Thrones, Prince Bela and Princess Elizabeth. They will begin a new path of Glory for all to share and allow Us the time to stand aside. We will relish in Our memories of the courtly grandeur that you have given to Us.

To Our retinue, you have shown yourselves to give without a boon to be asked. If not for the courteous examples you set for Our populace to witness, many things would not have happened. You can stand strong knowing that your work has been wonderful. You have created the glory and magic for many to follow in your footsteps. With this, We give Our thanks to you. It has been Our privilege to have you by Our side.

Our time on the Stag Thrones has been blessed by the friendships we have developed, the trust you placed in Us, and the joy in serving Our Kingdom. We leave this high station secure in the knowledge that the Kingdom will be left in good hands and that you, the Populace, will continue to render support and love. It has been Our great esteemed honor to serve this Kingdom with the grace that you have given Us.

Maelgwn, King Cainnleach, Queen

From Their Royal Highness

Unto the Good people of the Outlands, Doth Bela and Elizabeth, Crown Prince and Princess send warm thoughts of spring and gracious greetings

It was our great honor and joy to be embraced as Their Majesties, Maelgwn and Cainnleach's, heirs apparent in the hospitable shire of Dryganstan. The spirit of camaraderie and unity that was exhibited that day on and off the field filled our hearts with joy and we are delighted to be a part of such a magnificent Kingdom.

We warmly invite the great populace of the Outlands to our Coronation in Dragonsspine and would encourage all who may to join us the following weekend at Quest for Camelot in the noble Principality of North Shield. We plan on closing the Month of May in Grand Outlandish Style in the fine and hospitable Barony of al-Barran.

We would extend our deepest appreciation to Their Majesties for all that they have done for the Outlands. This Kingdom is richer for having had Their generosity and compassion to guide us.

We look forward with great anticipation to the wonders that the Outlandish summer will bring.

In service to the Crown of the Outlands and the fine people of this Kingdom

Bela, Prince Elizabeth, Princess

Engineer's Feast

Incipient College of Scola Metallorum
May 5, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Time open: 3pm,Time close: 9pm
Colorado School of Mines Student Center, 1600 Maple St., Golden, CO 80401
Site and feast: $6.00
Site is Dry

Autocrat: Kylinne de Sancerre (Lianne Hill) 1207 16th St., Golden, CO 80401, 303-215-0919
lshill@mines.edu
Head Cook: Lady Tetsutaka Yukihana (Michelle Tillotson) 303-464-0289

Directions: Take 6th avenue west to Golden. Turn right (east and downhill) onto 19th St. in Golden. Take your first left onto Elm. Follow Elm until it curves right and becomes 16th. The Student Center is on your left, at the corner of 16th and Maple. Parking is available on the street or in the parking lot on Elm and 16th.

When was the last time you were able to attack your friends with small fuzzy creatures? Build your own instruments of destruction? Attend a feast run by Scola Metallorum? Well, the time is at hand to once again enjoy these pleasures at Engineer's Feast! Come one and all for a night of fun, mischief and mayhem - everything for which you know and love Scola Metallorum - and perhaps even food, music and dancing!

from the
Kingdom Seneschal

Unto the Populace of the Outlands does Adam Stedefast send warmest greetings during these fine spring days.

First, I would like to thank those good gentes that have made the first couple of months of holding this post such a joy, most especially my deputies, THL Roland, THL Duncan, and Viscount Berold. This is a formidible team, and I am greatful for their hard work and devotion to their kingdom.

One more position needs to be filled, however, to bring this team to maximum strength - The Minister of Children. The Kingdom MoC serves as a lesser deputy within the kingdom seneschallate. Anyone interested in serving in this post should send letters of intent and any other supporting information to me by May 31, 2002.

Also, please note that StasgCon VI, the Premier Service Event of The Outlands, is being held July 13 & 14 at the College of Blaiddwyn. In addition to the officer meetings, autocrat and feast coordinator classes, this event will also feature a Toys for Tots informational meeting and a fundraising symposium. Please contact me if you have any suggestions for further classes on service. All members of the populace are invited and encouraged to attend so, please, mark your calendars now.

"The beginning is the most important part of the work" — Plato

In Service,
Adam

Outlands Coronation

Barony of Dragonsspine
May 11, AS XXXVII (2002)

Site Opens at 9:00am; Site Closes at 11:00pm
Colorado College, 14 E. Cache la Poudre, Colorado Springs, CO 80903
Shove Chapel and Bemis Hall
Fees: $5.00 site fee, $8.00 evening feast fee. Children under 5 are free Children under 12: $2.00 site fee; $4.00 feast fee.
Make checks payable to "SCA – Barony of Dragonsspine"
Site is bone dry.

Autocrat: THL ThorvaldR Thorolfsson (mka Stephen Adams), 1032 Whistler Hollow Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80906, (719) 538-9616, ThorvaldR@Dragonsspine.org
Feast Point of Contact: Mistress Tatiana Sokolova (mka Robin Monogue), 3640 Arborview Court, Colorado Springs, CO 80918, (719) 532-1686, Tatiana@rialto.org

Directions to the Feast Hall (Bemis Hall): Take your best route to Exit 143 (Uintah St.) on I-25. Head east on Uintah St. to Cascade Ave. -turn right. You will now be on the Colorado College campus. Half a block down you will see a small road heading off to the right, take that. This will put you on a loop. At the southwest corner of the loop, take another right. This will take you to a second loop. The large German style building on the southern edge of the loop is your destination, Bemis Hall.

Parking is NOT available in front of Bemis Hall (though the space is available for quick drop-off); cars there will be towed! However, there are two parking lots and some on-street parking. The first lot is just across Cascade Avenue (on the east side.) The second is further south on the southeast corner of Cascade and Cache la Poudre.

The Coronation Chapel (Shove Chapel): From the Feast Hall — Directly across campus to the east (across Cascade Ave.) is a large campus quad, and on the east end of the quad is the Chapel. If you need to unload items at the Chapel or armor for the Queen's Tournaments to be held in front of the Chapel, you should take Uintah St one block further east to Nevada Ave. and turn right. On that block, behind the Chapel, we will have a couple curbside spaces set up for loading/unloading.

Their Most Royal Majesties, Maelgwn and Cainnleach, and The Barony of Dragonsspine invites all Outlanders to come and witness the Coronation Ceremony of their Heirs, Bela and Elizabeth.

The Coronation Ceremony will be held in a beautiful Norman Romanesque Chapel on the Campus of our College of Tygre's Keep (Colorado College). The Queen's Champion and Protector of the Queen's Heart Tournaments will be held in the lush and shady grounds right in front of the Chapel but you may feel free to bring your shade pavilions for more atmosphere.

The Coronation Feast will be held across campus at Bemis Hall (the same site as this year's Candlemas along with many previous Dragonsspine/Tygre's Keep events). This wonderfully delicious Feast with an Italian theme is to be prepared by Stewpot, the Outlands Culinary Guild. Please contact Mistress Tatiana Sokolava for dietary restrictions.

Sunday activities will be in the same CC Quad in front of Shove Chapel.

For Dessert there will a Dessert Competition. Please see the next page about the details.

ALL Peers Circle - Chivalry, Laurels, Pelicans and Royal Peers and Kingdom Officers Meeting Sunday Morning

Greetings to all Outlanders! To celebrate the ascension of Their Royal Highnesses Bela Kos and Elizabeth O'Byrnne to the Thrones of the Outlands, a Dessert Competition will be held at Coronation.

All entries must be edible in some part.

These are the categories:
1) Desserts to be eaten with the fingers.
2) Desserts to be eaten with a utensil.
3) Desserts of one kind that looks like another (illusion food).
4) Desserts displaying the heraldry of The Outlands.
5) Desserts that move, erupt, eject or otherwise put on a display for the amusement of Their Majesties and the assembly. Desserts in this category may neither be currently alive, nor so spoiled that they move of their own accord. The entry may contain a human, but no other living creature. The entrant is solely responsible for cleaning up any mess
caused by their entry. NO FLAMING PROJECTILES.

A dessert may be entered in multiple categories, but will only be judged in one category, at the judges discretion.

These are the rules:
All entries must arrive at Coronation in a finished condition. There is no access to the kitchen and very limited access to electricity. Of course, final assembly may be done at the site.

If you wish to parade into the feast hall with your entry, this MUST be cleared with THL ThorvaldR, AND me (Lady Marged) before the event. Surprise Their Majesties, surprise the assembly, surprise yourself! But do NOT surprise the autocrat or me.

Documentation is required, no exceptions. Documentation will consist of a copy of the original recipe, and your version (redaction) of the recipe. Please include justification for any major changes (dairy free, etc). Cookbooks open to a recipe page will not be permitted on the display table, and will not be counted as documentation. Please present documentation on a sheet (or 2 or 3, whatever) of paper. Looks count, spelling counts. Creativity counts, big time.

Questions? Please feel free to call or email me.
Lady Marged Tylluan Fach (Mary Denise Smith) 719-845-1905, editor@costumemag.com

from the Rampart Herald

Greetings unto the populace of the Outlands from THL Pendar the Bard, Rampart Herald.

On Saturday, March 30, 2002, I received the January 2002 Letter of Acceptance and Return from the Laurel King of Arms. It contained the results of the submissions sent to Laurel from the Outlands on September 28, 2001, which were reviewed by Laurel, Wreath, and Pelican on January 19, 2002.

The following items were registered. Congratulations!

Frederick Thurstone. Badge. Or, a shakefork vert.

Maredudd Angharad ferch Gwenhyfar. Badge for Eirene Tzimiskina Kontostephanina. Per pale Or and argent, a winged lion rampant guardant sable.

There were no returns from the Outlands.

In Service,
Pendar

Grand Outlandish XXIX

Barony of al-Barran
May 22 – 27, AS XXXVII (2002)

Torrence County Park, Edgewood, NM 87035
Fees: $20 per adult (over 15), $10 under 15 years of age, and a maximum family cap of $55.
ALL non-members must be sponsored by a member.
The site is wet and the laws of the land do apply (no alcohol for minors).

Autocrat: Syr Dennis the Wright (Dennis Meyer), 2721 Mstzgar SW, Alb, NM 87105, (505)873-0363, omeyer@salud.unm.edu
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Directions: From I-25 and I-40, travel 19.2 east on I-40 to exit 187 at Edgewood. Go south 0.2 miles to junction NM333 (Old 66). Go left on NM 333 (Old 66) and travel east 4.4 miles to Lexco Rd (look for Mountain View Elementary School). Turn right on Lexco Rd and travel south for 2.4 miles to Martinez. Turn right and travel west on Martinez. Go 2.4 miles and look for a small sign on the left with "Torrence County Park". This sign marks an unnamed road. Turn left on this road and travel south for 0.3 miles to the park.

The Barony of al-Barran invites one and all to attend Grand Outlandish. The event will be held at the Torrance County Park – the same site as last year. This site is just below 7,000 feet and it has trees with plenty of good camping spots. There is no water on site so everyone is heavily encouraged to bring water to drink and for cooking.

Plan on having a full weekend! There are tournaments and melees for heavy fighters and rapier all weekend long. The children classes and activities are numerous and cover three days. There will be Arts & Sciences classes and hands-on activities (rumor has it that there will be a fighting kite class and then fly the kites). For those interested in archery, there will be tournaments and competitions over the weekend. Saturday night will be the al-Barran party and all are welcome to participate in the Peasants Fair. Sunday night is for bardic circles and there will be several. Plan on shopping as well. There will be many merchants on site with wonderful things.

Plan on having fun! Check out the Grand Outlandish web site for schedules and rules for the event. http://www.unm.edu/~kballar/GOT/welcome.html

Of course, a few cautions need to be said. The high altitude with the expected high heat will sneak up on some people. For those that bring pets or small children, remember that dehydration happens quickly with pets and small children and that they need your attention during the event The fire restriction will be very high for this event so do not plan on open fires. A signed notarized form for minors attending the event with a guardian instead of their parents must be completed prior to attending the event. Non-members must be sponsored by a member to gain admittance to the site. Check the web site for the policies, rules, and forms for the event.

Attention merchants! Time is very short! We are again asking for preregistration for Grand Outlandish. Countess Kathryn of Iveragh is our coordinator for merchants. Additional information, forms, and deadlines can be found at http://www.unm.edu/~kballar/GOT/merchants.html.

Plan to attend and have fun!

Peer Circles

Crossroads

Canton of Hawks Hollow
May 24th–27th, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site opens Noon Friday, May 24th. Site Closes Noon Monday, May 27th.
Pawnee National Grasslands, CrowValley Campground, Briggsdale, CO 80611.
Fees for Site: Adults $11, Children (5 – 12) $6, Childrenunder 5 are free. Family (2 Adults& 2 Children) cap for **site only** $30.
Fees for Feast: Adults $6.50, Children (5-12) $4. Childrenunder 5 may share a plate with an adult.
Make checks payable to "SCA HawksHollow"
Site is discretely wet.

Autocrat and all reservations: Lady Stasia (Christy Korin) 10793 W 67thPlace, Arvada, CO 80004-1405, 303-940-0104, Flamingdoginn@aol.com.
The Master of Cuisine: Lord Tam Lin (Greg Lewis) 303-451-5575,mcld1745@aol.com.

Directions From North: Take 1-25 South to Exit 269A fo CO-14 east. Follow CO-14 through Ault to CR-77 north. There will be signs at the Crow Valley Campground.
Directions From South: Take 1-25 North to Exit 269A fo CO-14 east. Follow CO-14 through Ault to CR-77 north. There will be signs at the Crow Valley Campground.

It was foretold that there would be a place of gatherings. A gathering ofthose who have taken up Arms and Arrows to defend and protect. A gathering of Merchants, Bards and SkilledCrafts workers. A gathering ofgoodwill, competition, good food, and revelry. A gathering at the place known as Crossroads.

Come and join the Canton of HawksHollow as we search and compete for our new champions and revel into the nightwith friends old and new. All tourneysare open to everyone, but to compete for our Grand Champion you must compete inHeavy, Fence, Archery, Arts and Sciences, and the Bardic Arts.

The Northern Royal Archer Shootwill also take place here. Please beaware that there is a qualifying shoot on Saturday with the competition takingplace on Sunday. Only one day fee willapply to those coming only for the shoot.

Lord Tam Lin will present amagnificent feast of fine Scottish fare, and the menu includes: Oatmeal Soup,Scruley (browned onions) and Clapshot (potatoes), Scots Collops (beef), Slamisof Game (fowl), and Aberdeen Crula (Scottish Pastry). For those that are truly Scots there will be Pan Haggis if youpre register (no extra fee). The Master of Cuisine is onlyaccepting **paid** feast reservations and feast is limited to 50. Please contact the Autocrat for all reservations.

Petsare allowed on a leash and there is a water and permenent privy on site.

from the Kingdom Waterbearer

A merry May to you all, fellow Outlanders!

I hope everyone is looking forward to camping season - I know I am! Camping events provide us with great opportunities to spend time with one another with few outside distractions, and we tend to fight hard, play hard, and party hard. I'd just like to gently remind everyone to remember to drink water while they're doing all of those things. Whether you are fighting or not, it is easy in the Outlands to become dehydrated and/or get too much sun, especially if one is imbibing alcohol. Please stay healthy.

Also, to any group in the Outlands which does not have sufficient waterbearing equipment (but would like some) - please contact me. I have a large quantity of tubing, and the means to make caps with holes, for the use of the Outlands.

In service,
Alia Marie de Blois

Aarqspine Warfender

May 31-June 2, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site opens 5pm Fri - Closes 2pm Sun
Mountaindale Campground, 2000 Barrett Road (15 miles south of Colorado Springs), Colorado Springs, CO 80926, 719-576-
Fees: Daytrippers $8 per person, Weekend $14 per person, ages 6 –12 half price, 5 and under free!
Make checks payable to Barony of Dragonsspine
Site is wet

Autocrat: Baroness Ophelia Mulryan (Airen Hall), 525 Harmon St. Apt. A, Colorado Springs, CO 80916, (719) 622-1118, seneschal@dragonsspine.org
Co-Autocrat: Lady Cassandra MacLeod of Skye, 777 S. Bellflower Pueblo West CO 81007 (719) 547-3799, jennrandall@hotmail.com

Directions: From the North: Take your best route to Colorado Springs. Exit I-25 at South Academy exit 135, head west and exit on Highway 115 South. The campsite turn is about 15 miles south (2 miles south of Turkey Creek Recreational). At the sign for Mountaindale Campground turn right. The campsite is about 4 miles off the highway.
From the South: Take your best route to Pueblo. Exit I-25 at exit 101 (Hwy 50). Head west of Hwy 50 to the town of Penrose. Exit into Hwy 115 heading north. Turn left at the Mountaindale Campground sign. The campsite is about 4 miles off the hwy.

All good gentles are invited to Aarqspine Warfender Tourney. Whether you come to do honorable combat upon the field, Participate in the A&S competition, or relax and enjoy the weekend, all will find merriment with the activities planned.

In case you were wondering, Aarqspine Warfender is the combination of the Shire of Aarquelle's Defender Tourney and the Barony of Dragonsspine's Warlord Tourney. Our two groups will come together as allies and friends on the ancient and honorable tournament field to choose our new Defenders and Warlords. All interested gentles are invited to participate in a weekend filled with these tests of skill, speed and might.

Other events include The Wenches Tavern Brawl, (bring a bodice) an auction, a bardic competition Saturday night, children's activities as well as an A&S competition sponsored by Aarquelle. The days activities will also include fencing and archery tournaments, so bring all of your toys and give everything a try!

His Excellency Timothy requests that all tournament entrants bring banners, tabards, and all other manner of pomp and pageantry with them onto the tourney field. Prizes will be awarded for flair!!

This is a gorgeous site, which boasts two permanent pavilions, laundry room, club house, small general store and for those who wish to bathe in the lap of luxury – running water and shower facilities.

Tentative Schedule
5pm Friday: Site opens
10am Saturday: Opening court
11am-4pm Tournaments (including A&S)
5pm Evening court
Auction to follow court
Tavern Brawl
Bardic Competition at the bon fire after dark
10am Sunday: Closing court
2pm Site closes

Caerthe Holiday

Barony of Caerthe
June 1, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Berkley Park, 4801 Tennyson, Denver, Colorado 80212
Site Opens: 9 am, Site closes: 5 pm
Fees: Donations (recommended $4.00 per person) PLUS two cans of non-pershiable food items.
Site is Discreetly Wet (no bottles...3.2 Alcohol only)

Autocrat: Lady Katrein Adler (Debbie Strauser) 955 S. Havana Street #319, Aurora, Colorado 80012 (720)312-0762

Directions: Take your best route to I-70.. >From the North/South/East from I-25 and I-70 go west until you get to the Sheridan Exit. From the West - take I-70 to the east until you get to the Sheridan Exit. Go South on Sheridan to 46th. Take a left on 46th and go east until you hit Tennyson. Take a left and go north on Tennyson until 48th. Take another left and you will be at the entrance where we will be.

Restrictions: no bottles on site, dogs are allowed but must be leashed and owner is responsible for clean up. NO Staking is allowed, for those who will set up pavillions please use bricks or other such devices to keep your shelters down.

Oyeh! Oyeh! Come one! Come all! The time has come for all Caerthen's, friends, and cousins to rejoice in the coming summer. Join us as we picnic and celebrate all that spring and summer have to offer us. There will be Picnic contests, bocci ball, and board games to delight all. We may even have dancing in the park again. NEW this year - we have a boffer tournement scheduled for the children ages 5-9 and 10-15. The winners of which will be styled Defender and Champion of the Picnic (respectfully).

This year we are bringing back the can food drive to the Rocky Mountain Food Bank. Please be sure to bring at least the two cans for donation. We will be honoring that gentle or gentles that brings in the most cans at the end of the day.

from the Kingdom Rapier Marshal

Unto all rapier fighters of the Kingdom of the Outlands does Don Carrick send greetings! As most of you now know, I have been appointed as Rapier Marshal for the Kingdom as of Crown Tournament. I thank you all for the support I have received thus far, and look forward to working with you in the future.

Also, the new edition of the Outlands Rules for Rapier Combat were signed by Their Majesties. The revised Rules include several clarifications as well as some fairly substantial changes to the marshallate procedures. Copies of the revised Rules are available from the Kingdom Website at: http://www.outlands.org/library.html <A copy is also included elsewhere in this OH>. Please review the new rules as soon as possible.

Finally, I Need Reports! All group marshals need to submit monthly reports to me on or before the first of each month, including the total number of fighters in your group, the number of authorized fighters, what they are authorized in, how many authorized marshals there are, and details of any incidences, injuries, sanctions, or other noteworthy events. Authorizing marshals need to report quarterly, on the first of March, June, September, and December. I need copies of all of the authorizing paperwork you have since your last report.

In Service,
Don Carrick

Mavis' Prize Tourney

Shire of Plattefordham
June 9, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site opens at Noon and closes at 7pm.
Mike Sedar Park, Poplar St. Casper/ WY
Site Fee: $2, children under 12 free.
The site is dry.

Autocrat: Eban Littiebrother (Troy Bray, 266-4305) Or Lady Mavis at 307-237- 1795 or E-mail mavisf@touchtromcs.nei. P.O. Box 2406 Mills, Wy 82644

Directions: 1-25 to Casper, take the Poplar St exit. Drive South to the Park, which will be on the left side of the road.

The Good Folks of the Shire of Plattefordham wanted to invite their friends to come up and play for a day and Lady Mavis is in search of a Champion should some blackguard come along and besmirch her good name.

To meet both of these objectives, the Shire of Plattefordham and Lady Mavis offer a Prize Tourney within a Prize Tourney. The prize for each tourney is a suit of field garb, (pants, tunic and jerkin) with hand-made trim, made to measure for the winners. The Shire Tourney is open to all fighters. Lady Mavis' Tourney is open only to Plattefordham fighters.

There will be various scenarios and rounds with various weapons so all may have a good time bashing about with sticks.

The site is dry. There will be activities for children. Pets are discouraged because the park is located on a busy street.

Feast will be a potluck in the park. Please bring your favorite casserole or salad and Plattefordham will supply the desserts. Although reservations are not necessary, if you will let us know you are coming, it will help us plan the number of grills for cooking.

Midsummer's Nights Dream II

Quest For The Golden Scorpion

Barony of al-Barran
June 14th- 16th, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Chamisso Canyon Road, Tijeras, NM
Site opens 14th @ 12pm closes 16th @ 6pm
Site fee $10 (7 years old and up) 6 and under free
Site is EXTREMELY WET

Autocrat: Bronwen Blackwell, PO Box 2885 Edgewood NM 87015, 505-281-6440

Directions: Take your best way to Albuquerque, NM. From Albuquerque, take I-40 east to the Tijeras/Cedar Crest exit, #175. Take the Tijeras side of the exit (right side) and head south. Continue south through the stoplight (Hwy 14 S) for 1.3 miles. Turn left onto Chamisso Canyon Road. Follow road approximately 1 mile directly to the site.

A weekend of fighting, feasting, reverly, and MURDER!! Yes we said murder. The richest gentle in al-Barran is found dead and everyone is a suspect. Come and help us answer the ever popular question of "who done it" Along with solving the crime there will be equestrian, archery, light, and heavy tourneys. Saturday night all will be invited down to the Town Square for a wonderful feast and much revelry.

Banner Tourney

Shire of Windkeep
June 22, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site opens at 8:00 am, Site Closes 10:00 pm
Lyons Park, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82011
Fees: Site: Free, Revel: $5.00, Children half price.
Make checks payable to SCA - Windkeep
Site is Dry

Autocrat: Lord Micah the Damn Dane (D. W. Peters) 905 McGovern Avenue Cheyenne Wy 82001, (307) 772-0033, dwpeters@19sixty9.com

Tourney Site: The grassy area adjacent to the Cheyenne Botanical Gardens in Lions Park. Take the Central Avenue exit from I-25 and follow the signs to SUPERDAYS. The site will open at 8:00 AM and close generally after 3:00 PM. Please arrive early enough so that armor inspection can begin at 10:00 AM with the tourney beginning at 10:30 AM.

Good gentles of the Outlands, Harken. The Shire of Windkeep invites all to attend our annual Banner Tourney to be held on Saturday, June 22, 2002 from 10:00 AM till 3:00 PM. Valiant fighters will contest on the field with an Outlands Banner as the prize for the most flamboyant and chivalrous fighter in the lists (there will probably be a prize for the winner too, but SHOWMANSHIP is what counts). There will also be prizes for best death, best bereavement, as well as a contest for the best banner. Fencers are welcome.

In order to enter the list, you must present a banner to the Mistress of the Lists and display it on the field. The banner doesn't have to be your own. The banner can display personal arms, historical arms, or be just plain decorative. HERALDRY COUNTS. Fanfares and demonstrations before combat are encouraged.

This tournament is held in conjunction with Cheyenne SUPERDAYS 2002, which is an entertainment, demonstration and craft fair held by the City of Cheyenne. It routinely draws 20,000 visitors each year. We ask all gentles to wear their finest tourney garb, bring their pavilions, music, and arts displays, and show off the best of what our Society has to offer. There will be dancing for all interested, and an Arts and Sciences pavilion where artisans are encouraged to display and demonstrate their abilities.

General Information: The Tourney site is DRY!!! Pets must be on a leash, and under your immediate control. There is a lake very near, so please keep track of your children as well.

You will be allowed to park along side the site on Carey Avenue to unload, but you must move your vehicle immediately after unloading. Parking will be available in the lots adjacent to SUPERDAYS. (Tell the parking attendant you are part of the entertainment) The earlier you come, the better (closer) the parking

Revel: Immediately after the day¹s activities, a revel will be held at the Gazebo in Lyons park. The cooks of Windkeep will be providing culinary delights to satisfy both stomach and soul. The Gazebo is north of the tourney site, there will be directions at the tourney site. The revel site is DRY.

Glory V

Barony of Unser Hafen
July 4-7, AS XXXVII (2002)

L.C.C.C. Campground, Buford, Wyoming 82052 (24 miles West of Cheyenne on I-80)
Site opens at Noon on July 4. Closes at 4PM on July 7
Site Fee $12. Children 4-15, $5. Under 4, free. Family cap for site $35.
Day fee $7. Children 4-15, $3. Under 4, free.
Site is Discretely Wet

Drums thunder across the cool mountain air....
The sun glints on the Blade of Glory....
The great Carnyx Horn is sounded....
Prepare, one and all, for THE CRUSADE!

Event Autocrats: Mistress Rosalind of Wellmark (Rosalind Wells), 3601 El Caminito, Loveland, CO 80537, 970-667-1284, PLW1@verinet.com, and Lady Mardanah al-Hindiyyah (Julia DiVerdi), 1104 Williams St., Ft. Collins, CO 80524, 970-221-3982, morgi@holly.colostate.edu.
Fighting Autocrat: Duke Kynan (Colt Brown), 970-581-8317, Kynan@verinet.com
Fencing Autocrat: Lord Justinian (Justin Bruen), 970-881-2110, Justin@bruen.com
Archery Autocrat: Lord Nikolaos (Dan Brandow), 970-350-4421, fencer_dan@yahoo.com
Equestrian Autocrat: Lady Averick (Cathleen Parker), 970-494-0662, averick@msn.com

In the good tradition of Glory's past, we shall fight till we drop and party where we fall. This year we will fight, fence, arch, ride, drum and dance from Europe to the Middle East on a grand crusade for fun, and of course, more Glory. Our website will be up soon so check for details as they develop. www.unserhafen.org/glory

The site is discretely wet; Equestrians are welcome; pets must be leashed.

Elevation is 7,500 feet, so nights may be cool and days desert warm. There is no potable water source on site. Open fires restricted to permanent fire rings, or off the ground. Fire rules are subject to change as the season progresses. There will be both non-martial adult and children's activities.

There will be a potluck feast for everyone in camp on Thursday evening, July 4, so bring something to share. Then The White Rose Inn will offer 3 meals on Friday and Saturday, plus breakfast on Sunday for the first 150 Crusaders to send a reservation and pre-payment. Cost for the Inn is $20 for adults, children 4-12, $15, and under 4 are free with an adult reservation. Send reservations and payments to Mistress Meriel of Tay (Susan Clotfelter), clotfelter@frii.com, 2889 SW 6th St., Loveland, CO 80537. Please write "SCA Reservation" on your envelope, and make checks payable to SCA-Unser Hafen. Send dietary restrictions by June 1.

Peer Circles

Wind Roulette (at the Wire?)

Galen of Whitsire

Stags Con

College of Blaidwyn
July 13, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Mitchell Hall, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM 87131
Site Opens: 8am, Site Closes: 8pm
Site Fee: Free
Make check payable: N/A
Alcohol Status: DRY

Autocrat: Lady Jehannette de Courcelles (Jeanette Sanchez) 1600 Lead SE Albuquerque, NM 87106, (505) 242-6684 jehanette@hotmail.com

Directions to site: From I-25, take the Martin Luther King, Jr. exit East (toward the mountain). Go past the light at the intersection of MLK, Jr. and University onto UNM campus. Turn Left onto Redondo Road. and take the first right into parking area (or follow the signs). From the parking area, walk East to Mitchell Hall which is facing the Duck Pond. Map will be included in June and July O.H.

Pertinent Info: The site is handcap accessible with full modern conveniences. No smoking inside the building and the site is DRY.

"This is the Premier Service Event of the Outlands," quoth Master Adam the Steadfast in a booming voice. There will be meetings for all offices in the Outlands and some classes for people interested in various areas of service. There will be breakfast, lunch and a BBQ dinner served on site at no cost to the populus. Free site, free food, and great company! What more could an event offer?

from the Earl Marshal

Unto the fighters of the outlands come these greetings from Earl Cathyn Fitzgerald.

First of all, congratulations to TRH Bela and Elizabeth! The tourney was well fought, and a glorious day for the Outlands.

I would like to thank Duke Hrothgar Monomakh, Viscount Stefan of the Wanderers, and Sir Conrade du Montgomerie for all their help marshalling the Lists, and Baroness Emma of Essex and Lady Sevilla Maria DeCordoba for their hard work setting the order of combat.

Outlandish will soon be upon us, and, being one to put one's money where one's mouth is, I will be sponsoring a 7-man melee tournament at Grand Outlandish. The format wil be as follows: Double-elimination, best two out of three, with all three fights being fought regardless of the outcome of the first two; the first round will be open field, the second will be a narrow bridge (9' approx), and the third round will be single-sword. There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place, as well as discretionary gifts given by the sponsor for those who preform feats of amazing soldiery, soldiery being defined as being a good soldier in the army as opposed to conspicuous hot-dogging.

Remember that the tourney season is long, and armor breaks all the time. Keep checking your equipment, and your chums' equipment, and try to fix things before they break. This season will be harder on us, as we're not only in tourney season, but war training has started early this year, and it will be harder on our stuff, too. Stock up on rattan before the winter rush!

The Glory of the Outlands is in our hands, let's do us each our best to preserve that glory, and bring more glory home next February. Yes, it's a long way off, but, like Duke Lycurgus' shirt says, "Failure to prepare is preparing to fail!" It is in our power to allow our King's son to bring to the field the best prepared army that has ever seen combat. The effort you make now, and in the upcoming months will bring this to reality.

Train hard, play hard, play safe!
Cathyn

St Sebastian's

Barony of Caerthe
July 19-21, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site: opens 3:00pm Friday July 19, closes 3:00pm Sunday July 21.
Lost Burro Campground, 4023 Teller Rd 1, Cripple Creek, CO
Fees: camping Friday and Saturday $11 per person (adult or child) camping Saturday night only $7 per person (adult or child) Day trippers Saturday and/or Sunday $5 per person (The site charges per person, which is why there is no break for children)

Autocrat: Lady Cecelia Corr Mhaire (Mary Conley) 5015 Beach Court, Denver, CO 80221, (303) 433-0132, corr.mhaire@juno.com
Seige weapon coordinators: THL Eric Morrison of Thistlekeep, 303-452-0717, thistlekeep@qwest.net and Lord Angus Montgomery the Forrester, 303-427-0962, lord-forrester@attbi.com

Directions: I-25 to Colorado Springs, exit 141 (US 24 west, Cimarron St) to Colorado 67. Colorado 67 south to Lost Burro. Entrance will be on the west side of the road.

Come camping in the green wood, where archers meet for honorable tests of skill. Come archers and gather together in camaraderie in honor of our patron saint - Sebastian. The challenges will be many and varied, the company grand and true. A weekend devoted to the art of the bow (and flinging things), July 19 - 21, 2002. Archers will need a minimum of 12 usable arrows for the weekend. There is no feast planned for this event, but a limited menu (burgers etc) is available at the campground. Updated information will be available at the web page http://www.geocities.com/darkprospero/Sebastians.html

Lost Burro has potable water, some showers and flush toilets. Fire and/or bear restrictions may be in force depending on conditions at the time of the event.

Tentative Schedule
Friday
3:00 Site opens
6:00ish a group trip into Cripple Creek, in garb, for the casino buffets may be arranged if people are interested.

Saturday
9:00 Sign-up and team assignments, there will be a 1/2 hour of warm up if you need it.
10:00 Morning shoots, Castle clout shoot, hunt, Sterling shoot
1:00ish Lunch break

Sunday
10:00 Siege weapon activities "Flinging Things"
Royal Round shoot for those wanting an away score
3:00 Site closes

Troll help is always needed. Please contact the autocrat if you would like to assist.

Clann War VII

Shire of Nahrun Kabirun
July19-21, A.S. XXXVII (2002)

Site Open at 2:00 pm on July
Cedar Creek Campgrounds, Ruidoso, NM
Fees: $15 with $5 discount for members; Children under 10Free
Make Checks Payable to SCA Nahrun Kabirun
Site is WET

Co- Autocrats: Lady Lysbette Richelieu de Plesis (Elizabeth Hammond), 1935 Thomas Dr,Las Cruces, NM 88001, (505) 522-1564, lysbette6474@yahoo.com
Laird Conchobhor macEoin (David Clough), 3358 Highridge, Las Cruces, NM88012, (505) 373-3419, evbdywantsme@hotmail.com

Directions: To get tothe site, make your best route to Ruidoso, New Mexico via I-25 from Al Barranand points north. Turn east on Highway380 through Carrizozo, NM on to NM 37 to NM 48. NM 48 goes into Ruidoso and off of NM 48, turn right into Cedar CreekCampground and follow the signs. Frompoints in the southeast Outlands, take US 70 to Ruidoso and turn west inRuidoso to NM 48 also known as Sudderth Drive. Turn right on Mechem, drive to Cedar Creek Campground where you'll turnleft and follow the signs to the site.

Come escape the heat ofsummer and join us in the cool mountain pines for Clann War VII. There will be lots of fighting, both heavyand light weapons, target archery, and a castle siege for all fighters who wishto participate, including combat archers. There will also be plenty of non-fighting activities for both adults andchildren including Highland games, sheep riving, create-a-bear contest, A &S activities, build your own war machine, and the new event of Mazola Curling. There will be a potluck feast on Saturdaynight after court. People areencouraged to bring a dish to share and invited to submit these entrees for aCeltic Cookoff Contest. Merchants arestrongly encouraged to attend and should contact the autocrats for moreinformation. Though we have no events planned past noon on Sunday, we encourageyou to stick around and pick up a melee or two and enjoy a Sunday night bardicin one of the most peaceful and beautiful campgrounds in New Mexico.

It generally rains a littleat this event, so plan on this possibility. You might want to check with theforest service in case of drought, fire restrictions, and the proper bearsafety measures, which we are suggesting that everyone be advised of. Potablewater is available on site, and this is a wet event.

from the Minister of the Lists

Greetings to the glorious populace of the Outlands from Lady Sevilla Maria DeCordoba, Kingdom Minister of the Lists. I have recently traded places with Her Excellency Emma of Essex, and I hope to continue the great work she has provided the Outlands from this office, and continue to learn from her.

I have had the wonderful opportunity to cross blades, rattan or exchange arrows with some of you, and hope to provide further service in this new role. As a fencer (etc), I never realized how much time and effort is required of those that make our game easier until I assumed the position of MoL. I hope to bring my experience from the field and behind the list table to benefit everyone in this wonderous game.

I am looking forward to meeting current local Mols, fighters and fencers so that I can have the opportunity to get to know each of you. If you have comments or suggestions that you feel would benefit this office, please feel free to email me.

In service to the Outlands,
Lady Sevilla Maria DeCordoba

from the Minister of Arts & Sciences

Greetings to the Populace of the Glorious Kingdom of the Outlands. By the time you read this missive, I will hopefully have been invested as your new Minister of Arts & Sciences at Queen's Prize. Since coming to the Outlands, I have tried to travel as much as possible, but of course may not be known to many of you. I began my SCA 'career' in the Kingdom of Ansteorra in 1988. Since that time, the Air Force has kindly allowed me to also reside in Caid, thence to the Isles of Drachenwald and now to the southeastern
reaches of the Outlands. I hope all of you will join me in wishing Mistress Gabrielle Cartier well as she moves on to other things - mundane concerns made being Acting Minister very complex for her and yet she still did an excellent job - Huzzah to Mistress Gabrielle!

Now, as to what I shall do? I know I have a lot of work ahead, both with the requirements of the job and tasks I have set for myself. First, based on recent discussions on the Outlands e-list, I would like to set up an informal registry of artisans willing to execute heraldic art, i.e. heraldic devices sewn and/or painted upon banners, shields, armor, clothing etc. etc. for those gentles needing such decorations on and about their persons, but who are unable to accomplish this artwork themselves. Decorative heraldry is one of the many ways we enrich the way we 'play' and is an excellent and much needed tool for disguising the modern world. I will set out more details on this subject in next month's Outlandish Herald and also on the Outlands e-list.

Secondly, I have already begun work on revising and updating the Outlands A&S Handbook. Should anyone have any questions or suggestions, please contact me, as it will be an ongoing project that will hopefully be completed before the year's end.

Next, there has been much discussion about the way Arts and Sciences competitions are judged in the Outlands. I know the judging sheet has been revised a number of times and perhaps could use further revision. I realise this can sometimes be a volatile subject as many people, myself included, put (sometimes literally) much blood, sweat and tears into their projects. The passing of judgement upon works we often see as our babies is very nervewracking. With a LOT of input from the Kingdom (this means YOU), I am in hopes that the new calendar year will see a revised judging sheet, hopefully one that will reflect the wants and needs of the Kingdom's many talented Artisans.

Last, and most importantly, communication will be my highest goal! Local A&S Ministers: I would prefer monthly reports, but will accept quarterly ones. I would like to have monthly reports in to me by the 10th of the following month (i.e., May's report is due by June 10th). If you are reporting quarterly, please let me know this, and accordingly, quarterly reports are due on the 10th day of the start of the next quarter (i.e. the report for the quarter Jan-Feb-Mar is due April 10th). If you have nothing to report, please still report that fact to me, so I will know you haven't disappeared. I will accept hard or electronic copies of reports.

Please remember as your Kingdom Minister, I am a resource - call me, write me, email me: with questions, complaints, suggestions, whatever! In closing, I thank Their Majesties, Maelgwn and Cainnleach for entrusting me with this post and I hope I can reward Their trust with faithful service to this most Glorious of Kingdoms.

Toujours a vos ordres,
Margaret Hepburn of Ardrossan

Bring out your calendars! Bring out your vacation requests! Bring out your war gear! Summer is coming. What does that mean? Warm weather? NO! Sunny weather? NO! (Okay, it does mean warm and sunny weather, but that's not what we wanted to hear.) It means ...

The Kingdom of Calontir presents

Lilies XVI

Fyrd vs. Huscarls
June 7 - June 16, 2002
Kelsey Short Youth Camp, Smithville Lake, MO
Site opens June 7 (Friday) at 3:00 pm
Site closes June 16 (Sunday) at 2:00 pm

As always, we have a schedule full of classes and workshops, more battles and tournaments than you can shake a stick at, war points, archery shoots, children's activities, an evening ball, board games, bocce tournaments, and more A&S activities than one person could possibly enjoy in a day or even aweek.....You need to be here!!! Submit those vacation requests... badger the boss. Bring the whole family. Pets welcome if leashed or penned (we're not kidding about this one). Located in an 800-acre park, just off of Smithville Lake, this war is a beautiful get-away perfect for any vacation. On-site showers, near-by off-site showers, and the swimming in the lake make the effort of keeping cool on those hot days easy and worry free. Be sure to visit our Roman fort, too.

This is a semi-primitive camp site. Virtually unlimited camping area, with no reservations required. Abundant porta-toilets, showers, and potable drinking water are available. No electricity, water hook-ups, or cabins are available. Firepits, hibachis, grills, Coleman stoves, and the like are permitted if fire extinguishers are adjacent. Gas powered generators will not be permitted in the merchant area or camping areas. Ice sold on site. Groceries, gas, and other conviences nearby off-site.

Fees:
$30.00 for non-members ($25.00 for members) $20.00 for children non-members ($15.00 for children members) Free for children under 5 $125 family cap No pre-registrations. Merchants: $25 plus refundable $50 clean-up deposit Make checks payable to ³SCA Inc., Calontir Lilies War² (when you get there)

Note: Minors attending without their parent or legal guardian on site will be required to have minor waivers and medical forms signed and NOTARIZED. Person designated as responsible for minor must be at least 21 years old. Emancipated minors must bring documentation.

Directions to site: From Hwy. 169 north of Smithville, turn east on Hwy. W. Follow W around curve to Clyde's Store at Paradise. Continue south on Camp Branch Road about one mile to camp entrance on your left.
>From I-35 north of KC, exit on Hwy. 92 West. At Hwy. E, turn north, following curves in road to Camp Branch Road. Cross the arm of the lake and continue north on Camp Branch. Look for camp on the right.
>From I-29, exit on Hwy. 92 East. Cross Hwy. 169 at Smithville, and continue east to Hwy. E. Turn north, following curves in road to Camp Branch Road. Cross the arm of the lake and continue north on Camp Branch. Look for camp
entrance on the right.

Complete information will be available on the offical Lilies XVI website http://calonitr.sca.org/lilieswar

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Merchant Coordinator: HL Isolde of Hawksholme Hawksholme@rocketmail.com

from the Kingdom Webminister

Greetings from the new Kingdom Webminister, Lord Robert of Deerbourne.

There are a lot of changes happening with web pages as they relate to the SCA. I will try to keep people up to date via the kingdom web page whenever possible as the electronic world moves much faster than the print world.

The most notable of these changes is that we must now have your written permission to publish your contact information on the internet. I am compiling a database of people who have given me their permission. To add your name to the database, get the form from the Outlands web site and e-mail it to me. Once you have given me your permission, it is good until you revoke it. You only have to do it once and it is valid regardless of what office you hold.

If you are a Webminister for your group, please make sure that you are following Society policies as they apply to local group pages. A copy of these policy decisions can be found at: http://www.outlands.org/webminister . While this list is small (and easy to meet), it is very important that your groups' page meet these requirements.

On a related note, I would like to meet with as many webministers as possible at Stag's Con this year. Please try and make it to this event (more details as we get closer to the event) as it is a great place to share ideas.

I am currently working to get web pages up for all kingdom offices. If you are a Kingdom Officer, you have space reserved for you on the kingdom website. You can design your own web site or I can take care of that for you. Please contact me for more information. Also, if you need a e-mail forwarding address for your office you can contact the Kingdom Chronicler with your request (i.e. officer@outlands.org).

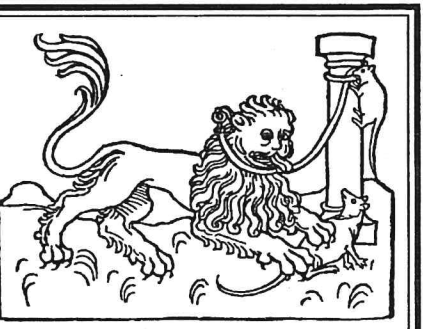
Since I am writing this a month ago, here are the changes to the kingdom website that have happened as of April 2002.

The Seneschal and Chronicler's office have their own pages now and they can be accessed by visiting the officer page or clicking on the badge for their office on the main page. Live road, radar and weather reports for the Outlands (From Intellicast) can be accessed from the link at the bottom of the main page.

If you have any questions regarding web issues, please feel free to contact me at 720-744-9614 or webminister@outlands.org.

Finally, my thanks to Lord Robert Marchet for his hard work in this office and for his work on our new kingdom web page. I have been left a great foundation to build upon and I look forward to working with all the local webminister in the months to come.

Robert



The Lion & the Mouse

A mouse was running around a sleeping lion's mouth when the lion sprang up and seized him. The lion was about to gulp him down, but the mouse begged tobelet free, saying, "If you spare me, I will return the favor." The lion smiled and let him go. Not long after that, the lion was caught by some hunters and tied to a tree with a rope. The mouse, hearing him moan, gnawed through the rope and freed him, saying; "You laughed at me then, thinking you would never get anything in ex-change. Now you know that even mice can do a favor."

Moral: You mustn't look down on the

This is a personal accounting of the first open field battle at Estrella XVIII I am honored to have played a part with eleven other valiant and brave Outlands fighters.

A treaty had been signed in months long past
By rulers of Kingdoms great
Glorious battles were to be fought
Enduring fame to be won did await

In early morn the Sun did gather
Upon the open field
If none would stand to face this force
Then the Stag would be forced to yield

An Outlandish army small in size
Yet valiant through and through
Were there to heed the call that day
And pay honor to the Stag and his brothers true

The horn did sound, the Sun advanced
An army of great size marched forth
The Stag stood proud at this advance
12 Outlands warriors bold, their tale I set henceforth:

Knights Artan, Hrothgar, James, Lavan, Berold and Sterling
Were amongst this force of twelve
Lords Trystan, Thomas, Wolf and Ladies Keridwen, Zephair and Alethea
Would honor Kingdom this day, their lives to fate they would shelve

Duke Artan claimed the right flank he would hold
Sir James his shield wall
Together they marched to face the Sun
For to meet the coming thrawl

Sir Berold and Sterling took the force of six to the left flank
"None shall pass while yet we live," Sterling echoed to this band
"We are all the sons of the Stag most proud
Until we die upon this field, together we shall stand"

Duke Hrothgar and Sir Lavan stood
To meet the mounting center of the Sun
They too would meet their fate this day
And vowed great honor would not be shunned

Sterling and his stalwart band
Met the Aten army first
The Sun began to wither
For there were few who could tame the Stag's thirst

The Inverted and the Hammer shields tried to make stand
As Berold, with but a single sword, leaped to the fray
But like others in their wake of lusty fighting
They too began to slowly sway

The eight fought as one this day
No prouder sight could be seen
Berold and Sterling led these valiant warriors
For the honor of the Outlands Queen

Till their arms could swing no more that day
Bodies littered the left flank's field
Sheer numbers soon overcame them
Spears, swords and axes their fate sealed

James stood proud and faced the foe
The wall for Artan's spear
A line did fall in the blink of an eye
Artan's skill gave them reason to fear

A rush was met and pushed back by James
Then countered as sword struck true
The dead began to pile high
The ground reflected this blood soaked hue

Hosts of Aten foe soon encircled them
Artan's saex began to sing its grim song
An axe struck deep in Artan's back
"Sir James, I die, hold our honor true and strong"

James struck back, wounding many deep
A spear thrust through his side
With one arm left he swung his sword
He died for his Kingdom's valiant pride

At the center of the battlefield
The Aten King brought his men strong
The Queen's Champion faced Hrothgar's spear
A sudden rush from the side did not last long

A knight fell dead and squires met the same of fates
Hrothgar and Lavan refused to falter
More men fell down and fed the land
The battlefield had become these warrior's bloody altar

By Lavan's spear, the Sun King wounded sore
Yet the Sun refused to fall
With one last breadth the King's sword struck home
Sir Lavan heard the Valkyrie's call

Brave Hrothgar was the last of men
To stand the Outlands ground
The raven called, this man fought on
He died without issuing a sound

The Aten army, both great and proud
Began to search where fallen comrades had bled
Bodies were strewn about the entire field
Merely half an army was left to count the dead

These men and women, twelve strong, had took the field
In the most glorious of battle tales
Fair fame they won, great honor they claimed
Their deeds this day for their homeland shall ever prevail.

Lavan Longwalker

Ulric von der Insel, Elmet Herald by Sufferance of Brigantia King of Arms, to All Good Teachers of the Heraldic Arts, Greetings! The Pennsic War quickly approaches, and it's that time again to dust off the old syllibi and volunteer to help raise the next generation of heralds and to educate the as-yet-unnamed and dis-armed citizens of the Known World!

Teachers are sought for all levels for Pennsic, from the Introductory to the Sublime. Some classes should be taught more than once considering the demands of the crowds at the War. Please contact me at ulricvonderinsel@cs.com or vonderinsel@cs.com if you want to teach a class about any sort of naming practices or style of Arms of a given country, or if you'd like to teach an introductory course. Also, one could talk about the roles heralds played in history (at tourneys, courts, etc...), or How to Be a Local Pursuivant, or How to Do Royal or Coronet Courts.

Send me an idea of the length of the class (in 50-minute blocks), how many students you'll accept, how much you need to charge (if anything), which days or times of day are bad for you, and a copy of your outline. It's that simple! See you at the War!

Ulric, Baron von der Insel

from the Keeper of the Calendar

Good Outlanders,

Before we get to the calendar, there are a couple items I'd like to touch base with you on:

Contact Info: Please be aware that my contact phone # . My correct # is 303-341-5765 and is on the event form in the April OH.

Policy on Event Conflicts: No group within 100 miles (roughly) of each other may host an event on the same day, unless both groups have mutually agreed and their Seneschal's have confirmed this agreement with the Keeper of the Kingdom Calendar via phone or email. The object of this policy is to encourage groups to communicate and work out any possible conflicts prior to event form submission. If a conflict resolution cannot be reached between conflicting groups, the date goes to the group that has their event form in my hands first. Demos, since they are not posted on the Kingdom Calendar or published in the Outlandish Herald (see below), are exempt from this policy. Everything else will be handled on a case by case basis.

Event Forms: Seneschals and Autocrats, please begin using the revised event form in last months Outlandish Herald and on the Outlands Webpage.

Event Forms and Demos: In the effort to keep the Kingdom calendar from becoming cluttered or confusing, event forms for demos will not required by the Kingdom Calendar. Furthermore, demo articles will not be published in the OH or reflected on the Kingdom Calendar printed therein. Exceptions to this may be made, but only on a case by case basis. Demo information and articles may still be sent to and posted on the Outlands web calendar.

Kingdom Weekends: Just a reminder that all second weekends are reserved for Kingdom events. Exceptions to this are possible, especially during the fall and winter, but this is only with the Crown's prior approval. In regards to this, Their Majesties have released the second weekend of December (14-15) and January (11-12) for non kingdom level events. Please contact me if you desire further clarification on this.

Event form copies: Autocrats, In addition to retaining an event form for your reference and sending a copy of the form to the Kingdom Calendar, copies should also be sent to the following people: Seneschal of the group sponsoring the event. Kingdom Chronicler-A copy of event form should accompany your first event article for the Outlandish Herald.

In service to the Dream and the populace,
Roland

Kingdom of the Outlands
Rules of Rapier Combat
Revised March 9, 2002, AS XXXVI

I. Introduction

The purpose of these rules is to set fundamental standards for rapier combat in the Kingdom of the Outlands, and to make the Outlands rules comply with Society-wide Rapier standards. All fighters and marshals are responsible for knowing these rules. Rules are designed to promote safe rapier combat in the Kingdom. However, no matter how clear or accurate, rules cannot replace common sense, good judgment, and concern for the participants. If a question arises when applying these standards, choose the answer that promotes the greatest degree of safety for all participants.

II. Equipment Specifications

A. General

1. All equipment must be in good repair so as to resist tears, punctures, or breakage.
2. Sharp points, edges or corners are not allowed anywhere on any equipment.
3. All equipment must be able to safely withstand combat stresses.
4. Equipment that is likely to break a blade or damage other equipment is prohibited. Any equipment that has small rigid openings large enough to admit a rapier tip will not be used against fencing-type blades, as defined in this section. (e.g., small holes in bell guards, small openings in cage or swept hilts, any design which has acute angles where a blade could easily be wedged and bent).

B. Blades

1. "Fencing type" rapiers are: epees and doublewide epees (also called musketeer blades).
2. "Heavier type" rapiers are: oval cross-section schlagers, diamond cross-section schlagers, Del Tin Practice Rapiers, Zamorano blades, and Scotty blades.
3. Dagger blades are: flexidaggers, Safeflex daggers and Scotty daggers.
4. Foils, fiberglass, saber and rattan blades are expressly prohibited for use in the Outlands.
5. Any blade in a given rapier class may be used against any other blade in that same class, but NOT against blades of the other class. Daggers may be used against either class of rapier blade.
6. Blades must be manufactured by commercial suppliers or other merchants or manufacturers expressly approved by the Society Deputy Marshal for Rapier Combat.
7. Blades must be clear and free from pits, nicks and jagged edges likely to weaken the blade or snag on an opponent's armor or equipment.
8. Blades will not be altered by grinding, cutting, heating, hammering, or other actions that could significantly alter their temper, flexibility or durability. Normal combat stresses and blade care do not violate this rule. Exceptions are:
   a) The tang of the weapon may be altered.
   b) Heavier-type blades may be shortened so long as it does not make them too stiff.
9. All blades must be reasonably flexible. Rigid steel "parrying-only" daggers such as those made from cut down blades will not be allowed.
10. All blade ends must be tipped with rubber, plastic, or leather.
11. Tips will have a blunt striking surface, presenting a cross-section of at least 3/8-inch (9 mm) diameter, and must be firmly taped or glued in place. The tip must be of a color contrasting with the blade so that the tip's absence is readily apparent. If tape is used, it must contrast with both blade and tip. The use of black or silver tape to hold on a tip is specifically prohibited, as these do not sufficiently contrast.
12. Any blade with kinks, sharp bends, or cracks shall not be used. Blades that develop these defects cannot be repaired and must be retired. Blades with "S" curves shall not be used unless they can be properly re-curved.
13. Any blade that is determined by the marshals to be unsafe (i.e., showing signs of metal fatigue such as a sharp kink or a "soft spot" when it bends) must be removed from use. The failed

blade shall be painted red or orange for at least half its length, or else cut or broken off so that it is obviously too short for SCA use. The owner of the blade shall choose the method of marking.

a) If a fighter disagrees with the inspecting marshal's decision, two other marshals must inspect the questionable blade. The majority opinion of the marshals shall prevail. The fighter may appeal this decision up the Marshallate chain of command, but may not use the questionable blade while the appeal is in process. Fighters are advised to keep a spare blade or two on hand, so that a blade failing inspection is an inconvenience rather than a major problem.

14. Weapons may have a hand guard such as a cup hilt, swept hilt or quillions and knuckle bow.

a) The ends of quillions must be blunt, and may not exceed 12" in total length.

b) Unless filled so as to have no frontal openings larger than a standard fencing epee blunt and having no acute angles, swept hilts will not be permitted on fencing type blades, nor may quillions used on or against such blades have more than a 20-degree curve – this being defined as the tip shall be no more than 20-degrees out of perpendicular to the blade. This also applies to daggers used against fencing type blades. Swept and cage hilts are legal for use with 'heavier' type blades.

c) Knuckle bows and pas d'anes (branches and arms) ARE DEEMED SAFE for use with fencing-type blades.

d) Orthopedic (or "Pistol") grips will not be used unless the fighter has approval for medical reasons, supported by documentation from their health care provider.

C. Parrying Devices

1. Scabbards - Scabbards must be made of lightweight, break resistant material such as ABS type PVC pipe or equivalent. If PVC pipe is used, the entire scabbard must be covered with cloth or duct tape to minimize the danger of jagged breaks. The scabbard must be no more than one inch longer than the blade used in the primary hand and the width cannot be less than three-quarter inch outside diameter. The end facing the opponent must be capped or plugged.

2. Bucklers - Bucklers cannot exceed eighteen inches in diameter or 324 sq. inches in frontal area. The edges of the buckler must be at least one-quarter inch wide, and must be free of splinters and sharp edges.

3. Cloaks - Size, shape and weight is left to the discretion of the fencer, so long as it is recognizable as a cloak and not a whip, dishtowel, flail, etc. Any weights or stiffening used in the cloak must be of such construction as to pose no risk to an opponent. (i.e. - rope or rolled cloth sewn into the hem are acceptable; curtain weights, fishing weights, metal chain, or lumps of metal are not acceptable).

4. Non-Rigid Improvised Weapons - Improvised weapons such as hats, mugs, bottles, fish, fowl, sausage, etc. may be used upon the consent of the opponents and approval of the Marshal in Charge (as such they are considered non-standard.) Soft materials such as cloth, foam, and tape may be required to ensure compliance with the above rules (no sharp edges, locations where a weapon may be trapped, any point that could snag on an opponents armor etc.)

5. Projectile Weapons - Projectile weapons are non-standard. At the discretion of the Marshal-in-Charge, throwing weapons and/or mock-gunnery gear (such as rubber-band guns) may be used in rapier melee combat, as long as safety standards for those arts are met.

a) The use of any projectile weapon is forbidden within formal rapier Tournament lists (single combat), or in any situation where spectators cannot be separated from the potential line of fire by more than the effective range of the projectile weapons to be used.

b) Except as allowed by this rule, no equipment shall be thrown. Any equipment to be removed from the field shall be handed to the rapier field marshal. With the consent of the marshals and both combatants prior to a bout, cloaks may be thrown, so long as doing so does not compromise the safety of the combatants or spectators.

6. Non Standard Equipment - The Rapier Marshal in Charge must authorize the use of any equipment and/or technique that is not described in these rules. This approval applies only to one competition and must be re-obtained for any subsequent competition. The Rapier-Marshal-In-Charge may revoke approval at any time that he or she believes it necessary or prudent to do so. Anyone wishing to employ such equipment or techniques must also obtain the permission of their opponent. If an opponent does not consent to face said equipment or techniques, then that

equipment or technique will be disallowed for that bout.

D. Protective Equipment

1. Definitions - In order of increasing resistance:

a) Abrasion-Resistant Material: material that will withstand normal combat stresses (such as being snagged by an unbroken blade) without tearing. Examples include, but are not limited to: broadcloth; a single layer of heavy poplin cloth ("trigger" cloth); sweat pants; or opaque cotton, poly-cotton, or lycra/spandex mix tights. Nylon pantyhose and cotton gauze shirts are examples of unacceptable materials.

b) Puncture-Resistant Material: any fabric or combination of fabrics that will predictably withstand puncture from a broken foil. Examples include, but are not limited to: four-ounce (2 mm) leather; layers of heavy poplin cloth; ballistic nylon rated to at least 550 Newtons; or commercial fencing clothing rated to at least 550 Newtons. Kevlar is not an acceptable material, as it degrades rapidly. These materials need only be tested at the marshal's discretion; all other materials must be tested the first time new gear is used, or if no marshal on the field knows a given piece of gear to have been tested.

c) Rigid Material: material that will not significantly flex, spread apart, or deform under pressure of 12 Kg applied repeatedly to any single point by a standard mask tester. Examples of rigid material are: 22 gauge stainless steel (0.8 mm); 20 gauge mild steel (1.0 mm); 16 gauge aluminum, copper, or brass (1.6 mm); or one layer of heavy leather (8 ounce, 4 mm).

2. Head and Neck

a) The front and top of the head must be covered by rigid material to below the jaw line and behind the ears. Standard 12-kg fencing masks are known to meet this standard. If built to this standard, fencing helms are also acceptable.

b) The face must be covered by either 12 kilogram mesh (e.g., a standard fencing mask) or perforated metal. Such metal must be obtained from a commercial supplier and must not have holes larger than 1/8" (3 mm) in diameter, with a minimum offset of 3/16" (5 mm) and shall also meet the definition of rigid material.

c) Masks and helms must be secured to the fighter, so that they cannot be easily removed or dislodged during combat. The combination of snug fit and the spring-tongue in a conventional fencing mask is NOT sufficient, by itself, to secure the mask to the fighter. The elastic strap in many masks, if sufficiently tight, is considered sufficient, however

d) Both modern fencing masks and rapier helms shall comply with the rigid material standard, provisions on facial coverage, and shall show no evidence of impending failure (e.g., rust which weakens the metal involved, dents or other defects which spread open mesh, broken weld points, etc). If there is concern about the face mesh of a modern fencing mask, it should be tested using a standard commercial 12 kg mask punch. Marshals doing the testing shall be trained in the use of the punch. The Kingdom Rapier Marshals may elect to designate certain deputies to administer such testing.

e) The rest of the head and neck must be covered by at least puncture resistant material.

f) If heavier-type rapiers are being used, additional throat protection is required and shall consist of rigid material, as noted above, covering the entire throat, and shall be backed by either puncture resistant material (as a hood), one quarter inch (1/4") (6 mm) of open-cell foam, or their equivalents. The cervical vertebrae (from the base of the neck to the base of the skull) shall also be protected by rigid material, provided by some combination of gorget, helm, and/or hood insert.

3. Torso and other killing zones

a) The entire torso (the chest, back, abdomen, groin, and sides up to and including the armpits) must be covered with puncture-resistant material.

b) Acceptable minimum armpit coverage is provided by a triangle extending from the armpit seam, covering the lower half of the sleeve at the seam, and extending down the inner/under arm, one-third the distance to the fighter's elbow.

c) Male fighters shall wear rigid groin protection. Any ventilation holes large enough to admit a broken blade must be covered from the outside with at least puncture-resistant material. Female fighters shall wear puncture resistant groin protection.

d) Female fighters are recommended, but not required, to wear rigid breast protection and

padded groin protection.

4. Arms and Legs

a) Gloves, made of abrasion resistant material that overlaps any sleeve openings (as below) shall protect the fighter's hands. Boots or shoes shall protect the feet.

b) Abrasion-resistant material is required on arms (save as noted above for armpits), legs, and any area not otherwise mentioned in these rules.

c) No skin shall be bared. There shall be sufficient overlap between separate pieces of protective clothing, regardless of the fighter's stance or movements, that the minimum protection for that body area be preserved.

III. Rules of the List

A. Combatants shall know and follow "The Rules of the Lists of the Society for Creative Anachronism, Inc."

B. There shall be at least two Marshals on the field for a tournament, duel, or melee and at least one for any other combat.

C. Combatants may engage only when the rapier field Marshal has received verbal acknowledgment of readiness from each combatant and has instructed him or her to begin.

D. The engagement will halt when "hold" is called, at which point the combatants will check for immediate hazards and then assume a non-aggressive stance and not move unless directed to by the Marshal.

E. The Marshals, combatants or spectators will call hold when safety is compromised, a rule has been violated, the list field is about to be left or entered by a non-combatant, or when a combatant has a question about a touch. A safety issue could be, but is not limited to, a combatant falling, or involved in a dangerous, uncontrolled motion, equipment failure, or potential equipment failure of any kind.

F. The Marshals shall use the term "matte" or "edge of the world" to warn the combatants if they are approaching the edge of the list field. The combatants should then make an effort to avoid running off the field.

G. At the end of each bout the Marshal shall ask each of the fighters if they are satisfied with the bout. Each Marshal is also asked if they have any questions. Any participants who leave the field thereby declare themselves satisfied with the bout.

H. There shall be no combat between fighters using heavy weapons (rattan) and equipment and those using rapier weapons and equipment.

I. Any combatant may, without dishonor or penalty, reject a bout against any non-standard equipment or technique. The non-standard equipment or technique will then be disallowed for that bout; and, the bout will be resolved using standard equipment and techniques.

IV. Rules of Combat

A. General Information

1. Rapier Combat shall be conducted in accordance with the Rules of the Lists of the SCA, Inc. and these rules.

2. All combatants, prior to every combat or practice, shall ensure their equipment is safe, in good working order and has been inspected by a member of the Kingdom Marshallate authorized to inspect rapier gear.

3. Combatants from outside the Kingdom attending an Outlands event shall meet SCA standards for protective gear, but shall comply with Outlands weapons standards. Where possible, Outlands fighters should match weapons with visitors only authorized with heavy-type rapiers.

4. The Crown's representative upon the field and in all matters dealing with Rapier Combat is the Earl Marshal, then the Kingdom Rapier Marshal, then, by delegation, members of the Kingdom Rapier Marshallate

B. Behavior on the Field

1. All fighters shall obey the commands of the marshals overseeing the field. Fighters who do not obey the commands of the marshals or otherwise conduct themselves in an unsafe manner will be removed from the field and subject to further disciplinary action.

2. Disagreements with the marshals overseeing the field shall be resolved through the established mechanisms outlined in the Marshallate Procedures of the SCA, Inc and these Rules.

3. Each fighter shall maintain control over his or her temper and behavior at all times.

4. Striking an opponent with excessive force, or with deliberate intent to injure, is forbidden.

5. Conduct obstructive of normal rapier combat, such as consistent ignoring of blows, deliberate misuse of the rules (such as calling HOLD whenever pressed), or the like, is forbidden.

C. Use of Weapons and Parrying Devices

1. Blows are struck by thrusting with the point of the blade (thrust) or sliding the edge of the blade by drawing (draw cut).

2. A valid thrust is any touch that would have penetrated the skin. Any blow that strikes mask, helm or gorget shall be counted as if it struck flesh. A valid touch is not negated due to sliding off after contact. 3. A valid draw cut is any cut delivered by placing the edge of the offensive weapon against the opponent and pulling (drawing, not pushing) the blade. Continuous pressure and a draw length of no less than twelve inches are required for the cut to be valid. Saber cuts, hacking, and slashing are not allowed.

3. A valid draw cut is any cut delivered by placing the edge of the offensive weapon against the opponent and pulling (drawing, not pushing) the blade. Continuous pressure and a draw length of no less than twelve inches are required for the cut to be valid. Saber cuts, hacking, and slashing are not allowed.

4. Push cuts are considered non-standard and may only be used when agreed to before a melee, tournament or individual bout. The definition is the same as those for a draw cut, save the motion is forward. No contact should be made with either the quillions or any other part of the guard during the execution of a push cut.

5. Tip cuts are considered non-standard, and may only be used when agreed to before a melee, tournament or individual bout. A valid tip cut is delivered by placing or laying on an edge in the last 2" of the blade against the opponent and drawing it across their body. Continuous pressure and a draw length of at least 6" are required for the completion of the cut. If the blade is drawn all the way across a limb or the throat and this distance is less than 6", this shall also be considered a valid tip cut. A valid tip cut will be considered the same as any other valid touch, disabling a limb or killing an opponent as any other cut or thrust would. These rules specifically do not permit the use of fast tip slashes as valid attacks.

6. Chopping or hacking blows are never permitted.

7. Parrying devices may be used to move, deflect, or immobilize an opponent's weapon or parrying device, so long as such use does not endanger the safety of the combatants. When cloaks are used, "HOLD" should be called if the cloak becomes tangled about either fighter, or about one of the weapons such that the weapon cannot be withdrawn. "HOLD" need not be called if the cloak is merely near the face, deflecting a weapon, loosely draped over, or weighting down the blade.

8. Striking an opponent with any part of a weapon or parrying device not approved for that purpose is prohibited.

9. Combatants may not grapple. This includes the grasping of the opponent and/or the opponent's equipment, punching, tripping, wrestling, and/or pushing the opponent. This does not preclude sweeping moves designed to clear the opponent's blades from line or prevent a draw cut, even if such motion causes accidental arm to arm contact. Inconsequential body-to-body contact can be expected and is not forbidden. Deliberate body-to-body contact is not allowed.

D. Acknowledgement of Blows

1. The entire body is considered a legal target area.

2. Each combatant shall call all touches received.

3. In judging blows, all fighters are presumed to be wearing common civil attire of the period, not armor.

4. Tourneys may be held which define areas of the body as if armored, and to what degree, so long as all the participants are made aware of these special conditions prior to the start of combat.

5. In rapier combat, blows will be counted as though they were struck with a real blade,

extremely sharp on point and edge. Any blow that would have penetrated the skin shall be counted a good blow. Any blow that strikes a mask, helm or gorget shall be counted as though it struck flesh.

6. A good thrust or draw cut to the head, neck, torso, inner groin (to the fighter's hand width down the inner limb) or armpit (to the fighter's hand width down the inner limb) shall be judged incapacitating, rendering the fighter incapable of further combat.

7. A good blow or hand to the arm will disable the arm, rendering it completely unusable.

8. As long as one offensive weapon is retained, a fighter is considered armed. When disarmed (holding no offensive weapon) the combatant must yield and accept a safe, honorable loss unless their opponent allows them to recover their closest weapon. Diving or scrambling for a weapon is unsafe and is specifically prohibited.

9. A good blow to the foot or leg will disable the leg. The fighter must then fight kneeling or sitting. No forward or upward motion from the seated or kneeling position will be allowed. When engaging a rapier fighter who has lost their leg(s), circling is not permitted. The standing rapier fighter must stay within the forward 120- degree arc of the disabled fencer.

10. Parries may be performed with weapons, parrying devices, the gloved hand, or any other part of the body. Though the gloved hand may be used to parry, it shall not be used to push, grasp or strike an opponent. Fighters may not grasp blades.

11. If an effective blow is thrown before, or at the same moment as, an event that would stop a fight (a "HOLD" being called, the fighter being "killed" himself, etc.), the blow shall count. If the blow is thrown after the hold, killing blow, or other event, it shall not count.

V. Marshallate Rules

A. Marshals

1. Field Marshals act under the direction of the Marshal in Charge upon the combat field to oversee the safety and the orderly action of combat. These Marshals are responsible for the enforcement of the Rules of Rapier Combat.

2. The Marshal in Charge is an authorized Rapier Field Marshal who is in charge of the rapier activities at a specific SCA function (event, practice, or demo). This Marshal is specifically responsible for the general enforcement of all Rules of Rapier Combat, supervision of Field Marshals, equipment inspection, and the combatant suspension procedure. There must be a Marshal in Charge at every SCA function where there is rapier activity.

3. Group Rapier Marshals are authorized Field Marshals responsible for reporting and managing the Rapier activities of a specific SCA Group (Barony, Shire, etc.) As an SCA officer they are required to fully understand and enforce current SCA Rapier Policies. The Group Marshal must be or assure that there is a Marshal in Charge at all required times.

4. Authorizing Marshals are appointed by the Outlands Rapier Marshal and are charged with the responsibility of authorizing rapier fighters for competition and Field Marshals to oversee safety and the orderly action of combat.

5. The Outlands Rapier Marshal is the Marshal appointed by the Crown and the Earl Marshal to oversee rapier combat within the kingdom and is the only Marshal who may appoint Rapier Authorization Marshals.

B. Combat Authorizations

1. Competence in other SCA combat styles does not automatically mean competence in rapier. Separate authorizations in rapier combat are required.

2. All combatants must be authorized for the weapons forms they use and must show proof of authorization (valid green card or equivalent from another kingdom) before being allowed to participate in any rapier combat activities. The only permitted exception to this rule is:

a) Unauthorized rapier fighters may train with, and under the supervision of, authorized rapier fighters in order to prepare for authorization. However, the unauthorized fencer must have a valid "blue" membership card and/or have a waiver on file locally before being allowed to train at any official SCA event.

3. Authorizations from other kingdoms will be honored in the Outlands; however, if a rapier fighter from another Kingdom stays in the Outlands for three months or more, he or she must obtain an Outlands authorization.

4. Out-of-kingdom rapier fighters must familiarize themselves with the Armor and Weapons standards as well as all other rules, requirements, and conventions of Outlands Rapier Combat.

5. There are four combat authorizations: Single Epee (abbreviated FSE); Epee and Defensive Secondary (abbreviated FDS); Epee and Offensive Secondary (abbreviated FSO); and Schlager-All Forms (abbreviated SAF).

6. Fencing authorizations are valid for a maximum of two years at the discretion of the Authorizing Marshal.

7. No Authorizing Marshal may authorize a rapier fighter for any weapons form for which that marshal is not already authorized. When new weapons forms are introduced in the Outlands, it shall be the responsibility of the Kingdom Rapier Marshal and/or his or her specifically designated representatives to test and authorize the Authorizing Marshals on that form.

8. All authorizations require that the combatant pass a test of knowledge about the equipment specifications and Marshallate rules of the Outlands. The fencer must pass a field test using the appropriate equipment before an authorization is issued. The Authorization Marshal must answer the following question in the negative: "Is this fencer a danger to him/herself or to others?"

9. The Authorizing Marshal shall issue or update authorization cards for those that pass the authorization test and shall send required forms including an Authorization Report Form to the Kingdom Lists Ministry and a completed Authorization checklist to the Kingdom Rapier Marshal.

10. The candidate who fails the test will be given additional training and may apply for authorization at another time. The candidate who passes the tests will be duly authorized to compete in official Rapier Competitions within the Kingdom.

11. A rapier fighter must be 14 years of age or older in order to participate in rapier combat or marshaling. When fighters under the age of 18 undertake training and authorization, the Kingdom Rapier Marshal (or his/her designated representatives) shall ensure that the minor's parent or legal guardian has observed rapier combat, is aware of the risk of injury inherent in this martial art, and has signed a statement explicitly acknowledging the above.

C. Marshaling Authorizations

1. Anyone supervising a duel or bout at an SCA function must be authorized as a Rapier Field Marshal.

2. Such authorization shall consist of an extensive test of Kingdom Rules for Rapier Combat, armor inspection, field protocol, required calls, warning procedures, and combat conventions for the Outlands. The Authorizing Marshal must answer the following question in the positive: "Is this marshal dependable and capable of supervising a safe list?"

3. The Authorizing Marshal shall issue or update authorizations cards for those people who pass the authorization test and shall send required forms including an Authorization Report Form to the Kingdom Lists Ministry and a completed Authorization checklist to the Kingdom Rapier Marshal.

4. The candidate who fails the test will be given additional training and may apply for authorization at another time. The candidate who passes the tests will be duly authorized to supervise Rapier combat within the Kingdom.

D. Inspections

1. All gear shall be formally tested (including fabric and mask tests, as appropriate) at least once every two years.

2. Compliance is the responsibility of the individual fighter.

3. Any protective gear may be formally tested if there is concern that the gear may have lost protective ability due to age, wear and tear, or other factors.

4. No combatant shall be entered into a list without having had all equipment pass inspection by the Marshals appointed for such purpose at that list.

5. If any equipment is found to be unsafe or not in compliance with the Rules of Rapier Combat of the Outlands during an inspection or bout, the fencer may not participate further in the competition until the equipment in question has been replaced, repaired, or discarded to the satisfaction of the Marshal in Charge.

6. Each fencer must be authorized to participate in competition. It is the duty of the Minister of

the List to verify each fighter's authorization. If there is no Minister of the List, it is the duty of the Marshal in Charge to verify each fighter's authorization

E. Marshalling Concerns

1. Excessive Impact: Combat in the Society poses risks to the participant. This recognition, however, does not excuse fighters from exercising control of their techniques. If a fighter throws blows which force their opponent to retire from the field, from a real injury (even one which only causes brief incapacitation), the marshal responsible for the field shall take such steps as are appropriate to stop the problem from recurring.

2. Melee: Melee combats present special challenges to all involved. Melee conventions are as follows unless stated otherwise before a particular melee:

a) In melees, fighters are engaged with all opponents immediately upon the call to lay on.

b) Fighters may strike any opponent with any legal blow if they are within the 180-degree arc of the opponent's front. A fighter who approaches an opponent from behind shall not deliver a blow until he is within that frontal arc. A fighter may never strike an opponent from behind.

c) Killing from behind is allowed if it has been announced beforehand.

d) If a melee scenario allows killing from behind, a fighter does so by laying the rapier blade over the opponent's shoulder, to at least a third of the blade, while calling "Dead, my lord" (or other short, courteous phrases) in a loud, clear voice. Reaching around the neck is forbidden. The opponent will be deemed "killed" from the instant the blade touches his shoulder and shall not attempt to spin, duck or dodge away. Note: If death from behind is not allowed in a given melee, a fighter who deliberately ignores an attacker behind them, or repeatedly maneuvers to keep their back to an attacker (thereby preventing any attack on them) may be considered to be misusing the rules.

e) In special scenario melees (e.g., bridge or town battles), additional restrictions may be imposed by the marshals as needed.

F. Warnings and Suspensions

1. The Field Marshals must warn any fighter whose conduct is deemed unsafe. Unsafe conduct includes, but is not limited to, intentionally trapping any offensive or defensive equipment against the body, striking with excessive force, slapping with the blade, consistently ignoring touches, or deliberate misuse of rules to gain an advantage over an opponent (such as intentionally falling when pressed). Such warnings must be reported to the Marshal in Charge.

2. For egregious or repeated violations, any Field Marshal may remove a combatant from the field or list. In doing so, the Marshal should consider the circumstances surrounding the incident (such as slippery footing, both combatants lunging simultaneously, or other "situational" factors), the experience of the fighter, their recent level of training, similar past conduct, and the opinion of the other combatant(s) and Marshals. All warnings or suspensions must be brought to the attention of the Marshal in Charge.

3. The Marshal in Charge will discuss any incidents with the field marshals and combatants involved, and determine whether the offending fighter should be allowed to continue fighting at the event or whether a longer suspension is warranted. If a combatant is suspended for any length of time (including the duration of one tournament only), the Marshal in Charge shall report the suspension in writing to the Outlands Rapier Marshal within one week following the suspension.

4. The Outlands Rapier Marshal will investigate any suspension within two weeks of notification. If the suspension is found to be valid the Rapier Marshal will either allow the suspended fencer to re-authorize or work with the Earl Marshal and the suspended fighter to determine a resolution satisfactory to all parties. In the event that the matter cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of all parties, the Earl Marshal will schedule the matter for the next available quarter court and thereby abide by its decision.

Done by Our Hands this 9th day of March, A.S. XXXVI, being 2002 Gregorian

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We are placing a bid on the following event:

____ Spring Crown Tournament (S)	Date: _____
____ Spring Coronation (N)	Date: _____
____ Fall Crown Tournament (N)	Date: _____
____ Fall Coronation (S)	Date: _____
____ Queen=s Prize Tournament	Date: _____
____ Arts & Sciences Collegium	Date: _____
____ Arts & Sciences Competition	Date:

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____ StagsCon	Date: _____
____ Other Kingdom Event	Date: _____
____ Any Known World Event	Date: _____
If other, indicate event bidding for at right:	

Please print the information in the spaces below (except where otherwise noted)

Submitting Group:	Modern city name:
Autocrat (SCA name):	Member#/Expiration:
Autocrat (Modern name):	Signature:
Phone number:	E-mail (if available):
Postal Mail Address:	
Site open date/time:	Site close date/time:
Modern name/Address of site:	
Clear Directions:	

Event Announcement Information

Listed below you will find the requirements that have been set forth for Outlands Event Announcements. Please note that those items listed as 'Mandatory' must be present in the appropriate event announcement, or I will be unable to print the announcement.

Mandatory in ALL event announcements:

- Name of the Event
- Sponsoring Group
- Event Date(s)
- Mundane name of site and address of site, including ZIP code
- Contact Information for the Autocrat
- Contact Information for Reservations (if not Autocrat, and they are being taken)
- Contact Information for Head Cook (If serving food)
- Contact Information for additional organizers (Crash, fighting, etc.)
- If reservations are being taken:
  - Deadline for acceptance
  - All associated costs (site, feast, discounts, etc.)
  - How to make checks payable

Mandatory in FINAL event announcement (Month of):

- All above information
- Site Open and Close times
- Alcohol Status (Wet, dry, discreetly wet, etc.)
- Directions to site (include distances, street names, etc.)
  - Do **NOT** assume signs will always be visible
- All associated costs (site, feast, discounts, etc.)

Optional, but highly recommended:

- A map to the site
- Schedule of events
- Feast menu (if feast is provided)
- Other pertinent site information (pet restrictions, water availability, etc.)

'Contact Information' for autocrats as mentioned above is defined as: SCA Name, Mundane Name, address, phone number with area code, and an E-mail address if one is available. Contact Information' for other coordinators as mentioned above is defined as: SCA Name, Mundane Name, phone number with area code, and an E-mail address if one is available.

The OH is printed presently with an 8-point font that allows for approximately 300 words in a one-half (½) page article, and 600 words in a one (1) page article. Autocrats, please take notice of the article size constraints, and try to stay within them. All event articles are allowed three (3) showings in the Outlandish Herald, one (1) of which MUST be the month of the event (i.e. A March event MUST run in the March OH). The other two publication months are typically the two months preceding the event. An autocrat may request publication more than two months in advance, but that publication will count against the two (2) publication limit. Additional printings may be purchased at the current advertising rates. Kingdom Events (Crown, Coronation, A&S Competition/Collegium, and others as designated by the Crown) receive one (1) page in the publications prior to the event, and two (2) pages the month of the event. Non-Kingdom Events receive one-half (½) page in the publications prior to the event, and one (1) page the month of the event. Additional space may be purchased for any publication month at the current advertising rates. Current advertising rates are listed in the front of the Outlandish Herald. Where possible, please provide the Kingdom Chronicler's office with a prior month article, and a month of article fitting the above criteria for publication.

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